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SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS PLANNING

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1. IN RESPONSE TO THE STRONG REQUESTS OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS, DECISION HAS NOW BEEN MADE TO CONCUR IN THEIR REQUEST THAT DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS BE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN SFM HEAD-QUARTERS, MOD CAIRO, IDF JERUSALEM AND WITH UNEF JERUSALEM AS REQUESTED BY GENERAL SIILASVUO. YOU SHOULD STRESS TO ALL PARTIES THAT THE PURPOSE IS TO ENSURE RAPID AND DIRECT COMMUNICATION WHICH WOULD FACILITATE REPORTING OF ACTIVITY DETECTED BY THE EARLY WARNING SYSTEM.

2. THESE COMMUNICATION LINKS ARE NOT RPT NOT TO BE USED FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES.

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3. WE CAN INITIATE EFFORTS HERE TO EXPEDITE PROCUREMENT

OF SFM TERMINAL EQUIPMENTS TO PERMIT VHF OPERATIONS EARLIER THAN MID-APRIL NOW DICTATED BY PROCUREMENT SCHEDULE. TELETYPE (ASR-35) APPEARS TO BE THE CRITICAL PATH ITEM ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NOT AS YET INVESTIGATED REPEATER AVAILABILITY. WE PLAN TO ASCERTAIN IF PROCUREMENTS BY E-SYSTEMS

CAN BE EXPEDITED WITH ITT OR IN LIEU THEREOF PROCURE THESE GFE. IN EITHER CASE, SPARE TELETYPES PLUS PARTS WOULD BE INCLUDED.

4. WE BELIEVE THAT BAUDOT IS PREFERABLE TO ASCII FOR ANY MIDDLE EAST COMMUNICATIONS INTERFACE; HENCE, WE PLAN TO STANDARDIZE ALL SFM UNCLASSIFIED TELETYPE FOR BAUDOT AS WELL AS THE SFM TERMINAL EQUIPMENT FOR RECORD TRAFFIC WITH UNEF, IDF AND MOD. PLEASE COMMENT ON THIS ASPECT SOONEST.

5. YOU SHOULD PROCEED WITH PROPAGATION TESTS BETWEEN ISMAILIA AND CAIRO. IN THIS CASE, IT IS PREFERABLE THAT OUR 90-WATT EQUIPMENT BE USED, THOUGH WE NOTE THE 100-WATT ESTIMATE. IF 100 WATT IS NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE A 40-45 S/N, PLEASE INVESTIGATE BOOST ASPECTS OF THE REPEATER IN LIEU OF ERECTING ANOTHER TOWER BETWEEN ISMAILIA AND CAIRO.

6. REF C, PARA 2.D. LISTED PROBABLE REPEATER LOCATIONS AT EXISTING FACILITIES FOR THE JERUSALEM LINKS WHICH YOU WILL NEED TO SURVEY AFTER APPROPRIATE IDF LIAISON. THE POWER OF THESE LOCATIONS WILL PROBABLY BE 50 CYCLE WHICH WILL NEED TO BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION. WE SUGGEST MUXING BOTH IDF AND UNEF SIGNALS INTO UNEF, THEN DEMUXING IDF CHANNEL ON PONY CIRCUIT TO IDF. IN DISCUSSIONS HELD IN TEL AVIV LAST WEEK WITH COLONEL LEVINSON AND IDF SIGNAL CORP PERSONNEL, THEY STATED THAT IDF TERMINAL EQUIPMENT IS SIEMENS T-100 AND THAT THEY WOULD INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITY OF PROCURING ENGLISH KEYBOARD. IN THIS REGARD, BOTH WITH IDF AND MOD TERMINALS AS WELL AS UNEF, CONCERTED EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO TERMINATE INTO EQUIPMENT STANDARD TO THEIR PARTICULAR INSTALLATION. WE WISH TO MINIMIZE, IN FACT OBTAIN, THE NECESSITY FOR SUPPLY-CONFIDENTIAL

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ING TELETYPE REPAIR SCHOOL TRAINING, SPARE PARTS, ETC. SUCH AS MIGHT BE REQUIRED IF ASR-35'S WERE PROVIDED TO THESE PARTIES BY SSM.

7. WE CONCUR IN INVESTIGATING AN RTTY CKT ON THE JERUSALEM LINK FOR COMMERCIAL TELEPHONE PATCH. PLEASE ADVISE TERMINAL CONSIDERATIONS WHEN KNOWN.

8. PLEASE ADVISE SCHEDULE FOR PROPAGATION TESTS AND RESULTING ASSESSMENT OF EQUIPMENTS REQUIRED.

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